

## SOCIETY NEWS.

[Any items of interest suitable for this department from Sedalia or neighboring places, are respectfully solicited. We want a vivid, active and cheery lady correspondent in all the neighboring towns tributary to Sedalia. Address all such communications to Ross Pezlar, society reporter BAZOO office, Sedalia, Mo.]

Society is beginning to throw aside the ethery which has so long seemed to paralyze its energies, and notwithstanding the fearfully "moist" condition of the streets, quite a number of pleasant entertainments took place last week. It is good to note this brightening up of the social horizon, since it is a well known fact that when this result is accomplished the business world also is in a more thriving condition, and pater familias is a little easier in the matter of household expenditure. Of course there are men who, if making an actual barrel of money every day, would still cry "hard times," and with a tight grip on the purse strings would defy the coaxing of the women folks. But these, as a rule, are comparatively scarce, and the average man prefers to share his prosperity with those who can best appreciate it, and for this, if nothing else, deserves canonization.

## SEDALIA.

—Miss Eva Gentry is still in Kansas City.

—Mrs. Johnson, of Warrensburg, is the guest of Mrs. Q. C. Slack.

—Mrs. McNutt, of Warrensburg, visited friends in this city last week.

—Miss Lillian Machette, of Booneville, is the guest of Miss Sue Evans.

—Miss Eva Johnson, who has been quite ill, has again almost recovered.

—Mrs. G. W. Weiler is spending to-day with relatives in Warrensburg.

—Mrs. O. P. Dugan returned from a visit with friends in Texas last week.

—Mrs. James Story expects to accompany the excursionists to New Orleans next Friday.

—The Y. M. C. A. will hold one of its pleasant monthly reunions next Tuesday evening.

—Miss Mary Overacker will leave Thursday for a visit with relatives in Kansas City.

—Miss Jessie Wright expects to remove her studio from its present location to the Pythian block, on Fifth street.

—Mrs. Julia Sanborn, of Windsor, will shortly take up her permanent residence in this city.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Nance will leave this city for their future home in Eureka, next Thursday.

—The Athenian society will give an entertainment at the University on the evening of the 17th.

—Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood delivered an able lecture in Wood's opera house last Thursday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sampson left for Tex. last week. From thence they will go to New Orleans.

—A large number of children as well as grown folks attended the matinee of the "Mountain Luck," yesterday.

—Miss Lucy Johnson, of Concordia, who has been the guest of Mrs. Freddie Bartlett, left for home last evening.

—Mrs. John Hutchison of Syracuse died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Halleck, in this city, last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Blair will go to housekeeping this week on Lamine street between Twelfth and Thirteenth.

—Mrs. Fred Oskey and babe, who have been the guests of relations in this city, left for their home in New Orleans last week.

—Miss Lizzie Gould, of Athens, Ohio, after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bothwell, left for Kansas City Thursday.

—Miss Mattie Kennedy, who has been making an extended visit with relatives in Illinois, is expected to return home this week.

—Mrs. Bartlett, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Q. C. Slack, leaves for her home in Dexter, next Tuesday.

—Conductor and Mr. James King were the guests of Dr. King in this city yesterday. They left for their home in St. Louis last night.

—The Ladies' Aid society, of the Ohio Street Methodist church, met at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Inch last Thursday. The attendance was good and the occasion particularly enjoyed.

—Miss Ida Newkirk attended the Gage-Matthews wedding in St. Louis last Tuesday, and wore a dress of "pistache" shaded silk over old gold brocade, hat of the brocade with green plumes.

—The Chautauqua Circle will meet with the Historical society at the Y. M. C. A. rooms Monday evening. The regular meeting of the circle taking place at the office of Mr. W. A. Fast, Tuesday evening.

—Mrs. Geo. T. Brown, Miss Delia Hardcastle, Mr. Gus Lamey and Mr. Thomas Kecke will leave to-morrow for Indianapolis, where they will attend the wedding of Miss May Brown and Mr. Frank Hardcastle on the 11th.

—The Young People's society of the Methodist church met last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon, No. 403, East Second street. The attendance was good, and a fine programme of music and recitation was given.

—The marriage of Mr. Frank Hardcastle and Miss May Brown will be celebrated this week in Indianapolis, after which the newly wedded couple will return to this city, and next Friday evening be tendered a grand reception at the park hotel by a number of the society folks.

—A pleasant party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Tritt last Monday evening, in honor of Miss Anna and Mr. Marshall Mahurter, of Zanesville, Ohio. Dancing was indulged in and the occasion was made very enjoyable with refreshments, etc. About twelve couples were present.

—The New Orleans excursion party will leave this city next Friday, so as to be present at the Mardi Gras festivities February 17th. Among those who will accompany it will be Mr. and Mrs. Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Priest, Mrs. Guild and daughter, Mr. Higleyman and sons, and a number of others.

—The Scott Mite society met at the residence of Mr. J. A. Bowers last Monday evening and had a very pleasant time. The sum of \$35 in the treasury was unanimously

donated to the poor of this city. Among those from this city were Misses Emma Crowley, Maggie Cully and Mrs. R. D. McCubbin.

—Mrs. Dora Patton has received cards to attend the wedding of Miss Birdie Ewing, a blonde beauty of Nevada, who has frequently visited here, on the 17th of this month. The bridegroom, Mr. Barr, is from Nebraska, and after a bridal tour to New Orleans, Mr. and Mrs. Barr will reside in Nebraska.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hoffman celebrated their seventeenth marriage anniversary last Thursday evening. A very elegant supper was served and the occasion was rendered most enjoyable. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hye, Mr. and Mrs. George Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Will Ross, Miss Mollie Haughey, Mr. C. Kelk and others.

—Mrs. E. Schofield Wright, of Minneapolis, has an autograph quilt, on which are the autographs of several hundred of the most noted men and women in this country and Europe, among them those of Mr. Gladstone, Dr. Spurgeon, Cardinal Newman, Archbishop of Canterbury, Ralph Waldo Emerson, General Grant, President Arthur and Minister Lowell.

—Cards will be out this week for the marriage of Mr. Will Messerly, one of the well known firm of Messerly & Meuschke, and Miss Jessie Wright, the youngest daughter of Mr. Isaac Wright, of this city, on the 18th of the present month. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Vao Wagner, at the residence of the bride's parents, 315 West Seventh street.

—A gentleman of this city is in receipt of an invitation to be the mardi gras committee for the Grand reception Imperial, which will take place at New Orleans, Tuesday, February 17. The invitation is very beautiful and of a unique as well as artistic design. When folded it represents a miniature tent. The engraving on the interior represents King Carnival seated on his throne surrounded by his subjects, with three or four cherubs hovering in the air over him bearing rich wreaths of flowers. To the top, bottom and sides of this allegorical representation are smaller engravings of fighting knights, heralds, Orpheus, Gaius Julius and several antique dames. Surmounting them all is the inscription "Rex 1885." The lithograph work was done at Paris, France. A handsome admission card also accompanies the invitation.

—The BAZOO has been frequently asked in regard to the method of playing "progressive euchre" and the following statement from parties who seem to know what they are talking about will sufficiently explain it: The game to be interesting requires four tables or sixteen persons, although three tables full will do. After selecting partners the gentlemen cut for position and the players arrange themselves accordingly. The game is regulated by the players at the first table, who start out to make five points. When this number has been made a bell is rung and all playing cease, the losers at the first table going to the last, where they exchange partners with the losers at this table. The winners at the other tables move to the next, and the game proceeds as before. A separate record is kept of the number of games won by the ladies and gentlemen playing at the first table and of the two winning the largest number of games, and in some cases those having the smallest scores, are presented with favors.

—Quite a number of entertainments have been given during the past week in honor of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Nance, who are soon to depart for Eureka. Among these, Mr. and Mrs. George Faulhaber gave an entertainment and an elegantly prepared and served dinner Thursday evening, at which were Mr. and Mrs. Nance, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Hain, Mr. and Mrs. Sturtevant, Mr. and Mrs. Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Cobine, Mrs. Guild, Mrs. George McKean, Mr. and Mrs. Richey, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, and a number of others. The occasion was most enjoyable. Friday evening the entire party mentioned above with several additions, formed a "storming" party and went to the residence of Mr. Nance, where, notwithstanding the fact that the hostess was in blissful unconsciousness of their coming, they were royally welcomed. Refreshments of cake, fruits and cream were served and these with music, etc., made up a most pleasurable evening. To-morrow evening Mrs. George McKean will give an entertainment and Tuesday from 2 o'clock until 5, Mrs. Charles McLaughlin will serve a tea.

## MARRIAGES.

—Mr. Bert Stryker and Miss Mary Hermann were married last week.

—Mr. Fred Berger and Miss Mattie Busch were united in marriage last week.

—Mr. Henry Vitt, of this city, and Miss Theresa Kramer, of Smithton, were wedded last week.

## HOUSEHOLD.

Towels for service are of mummy linen or huckaback. Soft, rough Turkish towels are also very much liked. These are of shades of chocolate and cream striped, with sometimes big polka dots on the stripes. The white linen towels have colored borders with figure of flower designs. On one a cupid is dragging a rose branch, and on another jockeys are racing their horses. Still another shows reapers mowing down a field of wheat.

Princess ties are scarfs of jute and tinsel, or cotton damask, for covering the tops of bureaus, washstands or sideboards. Next white linen ones have rows of hemstitching, both long and crosswise, forming the linen into squares. One of turkey red was similarly made. A cream-colored crape cloth had a border of delicate colored flowers. These are also used as a splasher behind washstands.

A novelty in white Marseilles bedspreads has printed upon it in fast colors a centerpiece and border of morning glories, roses, violets, buttercups and other small flowers in delicate tints. The effect is very good and decidedly pretty.

For those who think nothing is so pretty as a plain white bed, snowy Marseilles spreads are shown, from medium to very fine quality, some at \$18 a piece. These have thick raised flowered or arabesque designs. To accompany these are pillow and bolster shams of the finest Irish linen, richly embroidered with fine French work or the open Irish embroidery. They are simply hemmed and triple hemstitched.

Jute velour has quite superseded raw silk for piano and table covers, as it is so much more handsome and effective. It is a plush made of jute, and admits of very rich colorings. A piano cover of old gold velour has old blue fleur de lis upon it outlined by gold threads. A blue border heavily woven with gold extends around it. The table cover to match accompanied it. A garnet set was similarly decorated. Turcoman is also used for covers, and is very popular as a material for porieres.

## EGYPTIAN COIN.

Egypt is the reservoir for all the moneys in the world, says a Cairo letter. The coins of nearly every European country are in daily circulation, and even the rupee of India and Burmah is not uncommon. The best accountant in America might come here, with nothing to do for three months but to study the complicated exchange system; and I will warrant that, even then, these cunning money-changers could cheat him right to his face. It is a work of years to learn the relative values. If England establishes a protectorate here, one of the first things she should—and doubtless would—do, would be to straighten out these inextricable tangles.

To begin with, there are the coins of Egypt proper. I pretend to know only a few things about the financial question here, but perhaps they will serve to confuse the reader, and that is my aim. Take the piaster first. The regular orthodox piaster is a thin silver coin, nearly corresponding to our nickel or penny in value. The piasters have to be made so thin that they crack very easily in handling, and then they are not taken in trade. I suppose nearly one-third of the piasters in circulation would not be taken at the bank. Then there are silver half-piasters and silver quarter piasters. Now here comes in the first complication. The donkey boys have got to speaking of the half-piaster as a piaster, and this usage, which is, of course, a misnomer, has now become universal. Instead of the piaster and the half-piaster, one only hears of the big and little piaster, and many a row arises every day from the confusion and misunderstanding brought about by this absurd system.

But this is not all. There is also a series of copper piasters, half-piasters, and quarter-piasters, the value of which is only one-eighth of that of the silver coins. This outrageous confusion of names is all among the distinctive Egyptian coins.

A piaster is supposed to be made up of forty paras, whatever kind of piaster meant. There is no coined para, but there are copper multiples of the paras, fives, tens and twenties. The other Egyptian coins are the gold pound, and the silver dollar, with its fractions. The latter is not good out of Egypt, and although I often get ten or fifteen different kinds of coin in change, I seldom get these.

The chasm between the piaster and the higher denominations is filled up with francs, shillings, napoleons, rubles, florins, sovereigns, guineas, and a thousand and one European coins. Ninety-seven and one-half orthodox piasters are now reckoned as the equivalent of a sovereign, and seventy-seven piasters six paras as a napoleon—twenty francs. One should be particularly careful not to get English shillings for change, since it is possible to lose as high as fifty cents—American money—on a single sovereign.—*Cor. N. O. Times-Democrat.*

## Don't Mention It.

"It is only a little matter, sir, but I thought it might interest your readers to know that I am the inventor of a new electrical motor, that I have the model at my shop and will sell a half interest cheap. You might say in your paper that I will sell the great wonder of the age for \$10,000, half cash, half stock. By the way, too, our society gives a concert Friday evening—grand affair, and price of tickets only thirty-five cents. You'd better mention that. I have just painted my house and put it in thorough repair, and now offer it for sale at a bargain. Will sell the household effects entire with it. My wife lost a gold bracelet, one of a pair, between the post-office and our residence. There, I have given items of deep interest to your readers, and I will see what I can do for you each week. I do not expect pay for my items, only if you can send the paper a year it would be highly acceptable. Of course that is a trifle—you can do as little as that. My daughter Sally is going to Chicago soon, and if you can get a pass through to San Francisco for her she might take the trip. I will come in next week and give you all the items I can think of." Such were the rattling remarks which fell on our ears as we had reached the middle of our leader on "The Tariff." The man was so pleasant and condescending in manner and tone that we thanked him for the information. It never bothers an editor when such valuable information can be obtained at so slight cost. "Don't mention the thanks, Mr. Editor; only remember the paper and the pass." He bowed, and the door closed on the philanthropist.—*Exchange.*

## Father!!

Your poor worried wife losing sleep night after night nursing the little one suffering from that night find to children, and horror to parents, cough, should have a bottle of Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein, an undoubted Croup preventive and cure for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. Sold by all druggists at 25c and \$1.00 a bottle.

Two great engineering projects are about to be undertaken on the continent. The Spanish and French Governments have agreed to authorize the construction of two new railways, which will involve the cutting of two tunnels through the Pyrenees. The one will shorten the route between Paris and Madrid; while the other will give France speedier access to ports in the east of Spain, whence she could most expeditiously dispatch relief to Algiers.

Maisnier has made \$10,000,000 painting pictures. Who says art does not pay?

## Tammany's Address.

New York, Feb. 7.—Tammany hall today presented the following address, named by the whole committee, to President-elect Cleveland:

"The undersigned committee, representing the democratic organization of Tammany hall, avail themselves of your visit to their city to present the congratulations of that ancient organization on your election to the presidency of the United States. We assure you of our wish and expectation that not we alone shall approve of your administration of our country's affairs, but that by universal accord your acts will be applauded as the fruit of that democratic policy which should characterize the government of our land. Reliant upon our knowledge that you are one who maintains duty above republic and who applies to the plain understanding rather than the prejudices of the people, we announce to you our disposition and intention to render your administration our unreserved support in the belief that its history will record the triumphant discharge of all its obligations as duties to the people."

President-elect Cleveland responding to the remarks made by General John Coghane in the presentation of the address, said:

"I am pleased to receive from you, gentlemen, and from your organization this assurance of support, which I am entitled to expect from all throughout the land, but which I am particularly pleased to be personally and specially assured of by the various bodies throughout the country. In the great labor which I have before me I need the aid of you all. The assurances are contained in the address I had expected and they are in accord with my wishes. This special announcement of them, however, gives me peculiar pleasure."

## Mrs. Dudley.

Montreal, February 7.—With regard to the antecedents of Mrs. Dudley, who shot at O'Donovan Rossa, Mrs. Elizabeth Vicary, of Doregon street, has supplied some interesting particulars. Mrs. Vicary belongs in Barre, a small town nine miles from London, England. About four years ago Mrs. Dudley, according to Mrs. Vicary, was first noticed in that place. She was a slight woman, well dressed, with dark complexion and good features, and had an air of intelligence and respectability. She had, however, an eccentric manner, which soon attracted the attention of the people. She used to stand gazing at shop windows in an abstracted manner and would run across the street attracted by the merest trifle.

## Denies the Statement.

St. Louis, Feb. 7.—A statement having been published that John Brennan, of this city, had been selected to succeed O'Donovan Rossa as leader of the Irish dynamiters, and that a general convention of dynamiters will be held next June, Brennan says he has no knowledge of any convention, and if he had he would not give the fact to the public. Regarding the alleged succession, he says: "It has been the intention of life that I might be afforded opportunities to suffer and make sacrifices for my native country and its people, but I am neither a warrior nor a mariner, nor am I likely to be selected for any post requiring much skill or daring in the art of killing."

## Better Times.

Pittsburg, Feb. 7.—Laboring men are inclined to believe that times have commenced to get better. There is more work to do now than two months ago, but wages are from 10 to 15 per cent. lower. A visit to labor headquarters this afternoon elicited the statement that there are at least one-third less idle men in the city now than on the first of January. The pipe mills have been about the only ones that have had anything like a boom in trade. The nail works of the western district are starting up, and the price of nails gradually increases. Reports from nailers of various parts of the country are very encouraging.

## Editor Canned.

St. Louis, Feb. 7.—Roswell B. Swift, son of Wm. H. Swift, a prominent collector and whilom newspaper man, called at the office of the Evening Chronicle this morning and inquired for W. H. Little, managing editor. After a colloquy concerning the article, which appeared in the Chronicle yesterday, Swift struck Little with a cane and a scuffle ensued. Little received a severe gash on the cheek. Swift was arrested. Little claims Swift attempted to use a revolver, but it failed to go off. The article made objectionable reference to the second marriage of young Swift's father.

## Whipped at the Stake.

Wilmington, Del., February 7.—Nine convicts were whipped at New Castle this morning. Eight for larceny and one for burglary. The later a negro received twenty lashes and stood for one hour in the pillory. The others received ten lashes each.

## Not Conant.

New York, Feb. 7.—Word was received today at the office of Harpers' Weekly that the man in Athens, Ga., who was supposed to be the missing Mr. Conant, turned out to be Mr. Nostrand, who is in the employ of Harpers Bros.

The Alaska Will Arrive To-night. New York, Feb. 7.—The third officer of the City of Chester, who was in charge when his vessel passed the steamer Alaska, states that at the rate the latter was going she would reach Halifax to-night.

## Continues to Snow.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 7.—The snow storm continues. Should the steamer Alaska, reported making for this port, be on the coast, she is not likely to be able to enter the harbor to-night.

## Met the Alaska.

New York, Feb. 7.—The steamer City of Chester, which arrived this morning, reports having passed the steamer Alaska, on the 5th inst. The Alaska was then putting in for Halifax.

—The "Bazoo" is the only paper in Sedalia receiving Associated Press dispatches.

—C. W. Croser, a Cleveland, O., comedian, has written "Wanted, a Father," which treats of the Charley Ross affair, save that it represents the son as seeking his parent.

## JEFFERSON'S JEOPARDY.

Intense Excitement at the State Capital.

A Huge Wolf Story and Other Frontier Adventures.

The Capital Getting Ready to Move to Sedalia for Protection.

Jefferson City, Feb. 7.—[Correspondence.] DEAR BAZOO—I write you in haste and under great mental excitement, owing to the terribly agitated condition of public affairs. As you are aware, latest reports from this border section of civilization intimated that owing to the severity of the winter the wolves in the adjacent country had grown dangerous and ravenous through hunger, and in Callaway county, on the opposite side of the river, had on several occasions attacked the hardy settlers, who narrowly escaped being devoured. From a courier who arrived from there your correspondent learns the full particulars of the

## REMARKABLE ESCAPE OF HUNTERS

who had imprudently wandered so far into the forest as to be overtaken by night before getting out of the timber, as briefly mentioned in our village paper, the Tribune. When about six miles out from Fulton this party, consisting of four men armed with Winchester rifles, which they had procured from Sedalia were overtaken by night; the weather was so intensely cold and the timber so thick that it was deemed best not to risk an attempt to reach the settlement in the darkness. Having a supply of spirits, a ham of venison, and some corn bread, the party concluded to encamp for the night. With the aid of flint and powder a bright fire was started beside a huge log and the party were just beginning to enjoy its warmth and inhale the bracing odors of their roasting venison, when a distant howling attracted their attention. They gave little heed to it, however. Being used to wolves they felt secure from intrusion so long as the bright blaze of their fire was kept up. The howling, however, continued to increase in volume and approach nearer and nearer until the

## UNEARTHLY DIN

proved that it emanated from a multitude of demons, unusual even for this wild section and the hardy hunters felt their hair rising on their heads and a peculiar and indescribable chill creeping up their backs and they instinctively grasped their trusty weapons. In a few minutes more they found themselves surrounded by a mass of gaunt canine forms, whose blood red eyes shone back the reflection of the camp fire with a vividness terrible to behold. It was soon apparent to the experienced woodman that that verge of desperation which even fire and the fear of human beings could not stay, and the order was given for every man to prepare and spring simultaneously to a tree of which provisionally, plenty were at hand within easy reach. Scarcely had their guns been slung to their backs and the order executed when the quick eyed wolves perceived and interpreted the maneuver and

## WITH A HOWL RUSHED FORWARD

to prevent its accomplishment. Fortunately the smell of the venison and the fact that some of the wolves in the general rush were crowded into the fire and badly burned delayed the onslaught by creating a row and fight among the animals during the progress of which the hunters succeeded in reaching a safe height, where shivering with cold, hunger and excitement they gazed upon the wild scene below, where the wolves after devouring the half cooked venison and tearing to atoms the blankets left on the ground by the hunters, began to cast longing glances up the trees to the escaped victims. About this time it was suggested that it would be at least occupation to furnish their enemy further rations by

## SHOOTING SOME OF THEM.

This was acted upon, and the hunters used their rifles with good effect and had the pleasure of seeing a regular canine cannibal feast until daylight caused the remaining wolves to beat a retreat into the fastnesses, when the hunters came down and reached home in an almost frozen and famished condition.

When the news reached this city there was considerable excitement, as it was feared the beasts might find a crossing on the ice and attack the village but the recent warm weather has greatly allayed the danger from this source. Yesterday however the town was again thrown into a state of excitement by a report circulated by a courier who came in from the south to the effect that the Indian were growing very hostile, and

## AN ATTACK WAS FEARED.

A message has been sent to Rossa to send no more experienced dynamiters in order to place explosive torpedoes in the roads leading to town with a view of blowing up any approaching hostile parties. But notwithstanding all this, quite a number of legislators and reporters have gone home, while a number of others have retired to Sedalia to await developments. Altogether things are very unsettled and provisions are high and scarce, and it is hard to tell what will be the final outcome.

One thing however is quite certain the members are growing tired of trying to maintain the state capital on the outskirts of civilization, and in a wild and sparsely settled section of the state, and the belief that it should be removed to Sedalia is fast gaining ground. ROMULES.

## A Valuable Paper.

London, Feb. 7.—The police found a paper in Burton's baggage which contained a representation of the ground and plan of the parliament buildings. A detective is about to start for the United States to seek information concerning Cunningham.

## Davitt Had to Move.

Rome, Feb. 7.—Michael Davitt, on arriving Thursday last went to an English hotel, but was compelled to seek other quarters because the English guests at the house refused to sit at the same table with him.

—Wm. J. Scanlan (Peek-a-Boo) did a good week's business at New Orleans last week.

## SICHER'S SUCCESS.

Joe Sicher, the Popular Caterer Will Again Open His Well Known Resort.

As of Yore it Will be Known as Sicher's Hotel.

Not only the citizens of Sedalia, but the traveling public will be rejoiced to learn that the popular Hotel Sicher is again to be thrown open to the public, the differences between George T. Brown, proprietor of the late Merchant's hotel and Mr. Sicher having been amicably adjusted.

The fame of Sicher's hotel has long since gone abroad in the land, and it will be with heartfelt rejoicing that the announcement is received that the "Old Reliable" is again to be thrown open to the public.

The new Sicher's hotel boasts of a three-story addition in the rear, giving a large additional number of sleeping rooms, which, together with the improvements in the old buildings, makes this one of the largest, best arranged and best appointed hostleries west of the Mississippi river.

Without detracting in the least from the well earned reputation of Mr. George T. Brown, the retiring proprietor of the Merchants, it is not extravagant praise to say that Mr. Joe Sicher is one of the most popular as well as one of the most successful landlords in the west. This fact he has demonstrated in the past to the entire satisfaction of both transient and local guests of his hotel.

In this connection it may not be amiss to state a fact, of which all of the residents of Sedalia are now conversant, that to Mr. Sicher's enterprise and liberality the Queen City and future capital owes much of her glory and success. A thoroughly successful business man, one identified heart and soul with the prosperity of Sedalia; a gentleman in every sense of the word, fully cognizant of the wants of his guests, and of the best way in which they can be subserved, Joe Sicher can not fail of that success which his liberality and enterprise merits.

Mr. Sicher informed a BAZOO reporter yesterday that the new hotel will be opened in a few days, and that neither pains nor expense will be spared to render it one of the best hotels in the United States. The well known reputation of Mr. Sicher is a sufficient guarantee that this promise will be made good.

Due notice will be given of the date of the opening through the columns of the BAZOO.

## AGAINST CONVICT LABOR.

Ringling Resolutions Adopted by Union Printers.

HALL SEDALIA TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, No. 206 SEDALIA, MISSOURI, FEBRUARY 7, 1885.

The following preamble and resolutions have been adopted by Sedalia Typographical Union, No. 206:

WHEREAS, The State Journal company, of Jefferson City, has contracted with the inspector of the Missouri penitentiary for the service of twenty-five convicts, for the purpose of carrying on in said penitentiary a general printing and publishing business; and

WHEREAS, The said contract for convict labor has been made at a time when the labor organization throughout the country are agitating the question of doing away with penal servitude in its competition with honest labor; and

WHEREAS, The art of printing has always been in the past, and is now, universally recognized as at the head of all handicraft, and has never been debased by such a disgraceful connection as is now being accomplished in the penitentiary of this state; therefore

Resolved, That we view the association of our craft with the criminal inmates of our state prison, with a view to the pecuniary profit of any corporation or individual, as closely akin to sacrilege;

Resolved, That we, as members of the craft, believe that the introduction of the printing business in the penitentiary will have a tendency to materially injure the interests of those engaged honestly in that business, not only at the capital but throughout the state.

Resolved, That we earnestly request our senator and our representatives to exercise their utmost diligence to remove this stigma upon an honorable occupation, and wipe out what will eventually prove a bitter disgrace to the craft at large as well as the state itself.

Resolved, That we will use all diligence in calling the attention of labor organizations to this outrage, and request them to unite with us in opposition to all those seeking political preferment who in any manner aid or abet it.

HUGH FITZGERALD,  
JOHN W. EVANS,  
MONT KNAPP,  
J. M. ARTHUR,  
E. H. BAXTER,  
Committee.

## Westover Wait.

Yesterday's BAZOO made mention of the low assault of one A. O. Westover on East Sedalia lunch house cook on Emma McCoombs, a thirteen-year-old girl, and that her step-father Mr. James Clark would take steps to have him prosecuted. Late Friday afternoon Mr. Clark swore out a warrant for his arrest, but when the officers visited Lowry's lunch stand where Westover was employed they found him gone, he having departed very unceremoniously about 2 o'clock when he learned he was likely to be called to account. The police force made a vigorous search for him yesterday but failed to obtain any clue to his whereabouts.